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Railroad District	Date in December				
	4	6	8	10	12
Berlin	4.7	5.1	5.5	4.3	4.4
Greifswald	6.2	6.1	6.7	6.5	5.9
Schwerin	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.0	4.6
Magdeburg	5.3	5.4	5.8	4.5	4.0
Halle	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.8
Erfurt	4.0	4.0	3.6	3.1	3.4
Dresden	4.3	4.0	3.8	3.3	3.6
Cottbus	4.8	4.8	4.5	3.5	3.6
Total	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.0	4.0

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2. [redacted] the following coal stocks, expressed in tons, were available to the East German railroads between 4 and 12 December:

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Date in December	Coal for Locomotives		Shop Coal in Terms of Briquette Units (BU)	
	Hard Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes		
4	43 100 to	40 100 to	30 500 to	
6	43 900 to	39 700 to	31 300 to	
8	44 900 to	37 800 to	31 200 to	
10	38 700 to	33 700 to	30 900 to	
12	38 300 to	32 000 to	30 900 to	2

3. [redacted] the following coal stocks were available to the East German railroads between 4 and 14 December:

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a. In daily requirements:

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b. In metric tons:

Date in December	Hard Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes	Hard Coal Slurry	Raw Brown Coal	Coal Dust
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8	44 953	37 824	1 056	13 872	174
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Hard Coal	55,851 tons	
Brown Coal		
Briquettes	31,942 "	
Hard Coal Slurry	1,147 "	(classified like raw brown coal)
Raw Brown Coal	5,514 "	
Brown Coal Dust	347 "	

Total 94,201 tons

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